

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on an electronic device, comprising:
a frame; and
a resiliently elastic material coupled to the frame, the resiliently elastic material being adapted for suspending an electronic device with respect to the frame,
wherein at least a portion of the resiliently elastic material is wrapped around an outer periphery of the frame such that the resiliently elastic material encircles the outer periphery of the frame located therealong.
2. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the frame is rigid.
3. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the frame is semi-rigid.
4. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the resiliently elastic material is a polymeric material.
5. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the resiliently elastic material is in the form of a sheet.
6. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the resiliently elastic material is in the form of a strap.

7. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the resiliently elastic material is in the form of a rib adapted to be coupled to an electronic device.
8. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 7, wherein the rib is in tension.
9. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 1, further comprising layers of the resiliently elastic material adapted to sandwich an electronic device therebetween.
10. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 9, further comprising at least one rib coupled to the frame and adapted for coupling to an electronic component for further restricting movement of the electronic component with respect to the frame.
11. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the resiliently elastic material is adapted for physical coupling to an electronic device.
12. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the device extends a shock event time imparted on an electronic device coupled thereto by at least twice with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
13. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the device extends a shock event time imparted on an electronic device coupled thereto by at least four times with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.

14. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the device is designed for coupling to a hard disk drive.
15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device, comprising:
an electronic device;
a frame; and
~~a resiliently~~ an elastic material coupled to the frame, the ~~resiliently~~ elastic material being wrapped around at least a portion of the frame such that the elastic material encircles an outer periphery of the frame located therealong, wherein the electronic device is sandwiched between layers of the ~~resiliently~~ elastic material.
16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the ~~resiliently~~ elastic material is in the form of a sheet.
17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the ~~resiliently~~ elastic material is in the form of a strap.
18. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, further comprising at least one rib coupled to the housing and the electronic component for further restricting movement of the electronic component with respect to the frame.

19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the electronic device is fixedly coupled to the resiliently elastic material.
20. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the shock event time is extended by at least twice with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
21. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the shock event time is extended by at least four times with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
22. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the electronic device is a hard disk drive.
23. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on an electronic device, comprising:
a frame; and
multiple resiliently elastic ribs coupled to the frame, the resiliently elastic ribs being coupled to an electronic device for suspending the electronic device with respect to the frame, the ribs being in tension.

wherein the ribs do not encircle the electronic device.

24. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 23, wherein the resiliently elastic material is a polymeric material.
25. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 23, wherein the device extends a shock event time imparted on an electronic device coupled thereto by at least twice with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
26. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 23, wherein the device extends a shock event time imparted on an electronic device coupled thereto by at least four times with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
27. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A device as recited in claim 23, in combination with a hard disk drive.